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Stephen Griffin et al .

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By

Robert E. Atkinson

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

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(Unchanged) An intravascular guidewire, comprising:

an elongate core wire comprising a metal; and

a polymer jacket comprising a shape memory polymer surrounding a portion of the core

wire, the polymer jacket being more stiff than the portion of the core wire which it surrounds.

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